# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Have the courage to speak out – everyone plays a role in preventing domestic violence.

What is domestic abuse?

Behaviors used to control, intimidate and have power over an intimate partner are abusive.

## ABUSIVE BELAVIORS



**Physical** — physical contact including pushing, shoving, slapping, kicking, and choking



Emotional and verbal — bullying, belittling, threats and controlling behavior



**Sexual** — forced sex or participation in unwanted or hurtful sexual acts



**Financial** — preventing or limiting access to money, financial resources or employment

For more information on how <u>abuse is about power</u> <u>and control</u>, visit the <u>Love Is Respect website</u>.



### **WARNING SIGNS**

- Possessive or controlling behavior
- Extreme jealousy or false accusations
- Explosive temper or mood swings
- Embarrassing or shaming in public

For the full list of <u>warning signs</u>, visit the <u>National Domestic</u>
Violence Hotline website.



### HELP IS AVAILABLE - MILITARY

- Call Military OneSource at 800-342-9647 for confidential counseling and referral to other resources.
- Visit the Family Advocacy Program on your installation.
- Speak with a Family Advocacy Program domestic abuse victim advocate who can help you find shelter, medical care, counseling, legal services and will explain your reporting options.



#### **CONFIDENTIAL CIVILIAN RESOURCES**

- Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800-799-7233.
- Seek help from the local domestic violence programs.



Relationships should be safe, respectful and positive. For more information on how to nurture healthy relationships, check out the <u>article</u> on the <u>Military OneSource Child Abuse</u> and <u>Domestic Abuse page</u>. Is your relationship safe and healthy? Take this <u>quiz</u> to find out.

